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1. HIGHLIGHTS. PAPERS FRONTPAGE WHITE HOUSE FAVORS
ALLOCATION PLAN FOR HEATING OIL, PROPANE; AUSTRIA REJECTS
MEIR PLEAS ON TRANSIT; BROOKLYN DEMOCRATIC ORGANIZATION
HAS INFORMED REP. ROONEY THAT IT WILL NOT SUPPORT THE
AILING 69-YEAR OLD LEGISLATOR FOR ANOTHER TERM; SENATE
VOTES SMALLEST AID PROGRAM, 1.2 BILLIONS, BY 54 TO 42;
AGNEW COUNSEL REPORTED TO SEEK INQUIRY ON LEAKS; AGNEW WILL
KEEP SPEAKING OUT TO COUNTRY. NYTIMES FRONTPAGES VOLKS-
WAGEN PRICES RAISED 14 PERCENT, 4TH RAISE THIS YEAR.
WASHPOST FRONTPAGES BRITAIN WITHDRAWS SHIPS IN BID TO
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SETTLE COD WAR; ALLEGED WIRETAPPING ERRORS IMPERIAL FEDERAL
PROSECUTION OF 1400 DEFENDANTS INCLUDING ORGANIZED CRIME
FIGURES; REPUBLICAN STAFF OF WATERGATE COMMITTEE IS SEEKING
TO UNCOVER DIRTY TRICKS PERPETRATED BY DEMOCRATIC IN 1972

CAMPAIGN.

1A. INSIDE WASHPOST HAS MOSCOW, UNVEILING OF US-SOVIET COUNCIL TO PROMOTE TRADE; NYTIMES BUSINESS SECTION HAS US CONGRESS FAILS TO DAMPEN TRADE TALKS, PHOTO OF SHULTZ CASEY KOSYGIN. OTHER NYTIMES STORIES INCLUDE: HOUSE VOTES

50 MILLION FOR RFE AND RADIO LIBERTY; FINNEY WASHINGTON, SOVIET SUPERSONIC BOMBERS APPEAR IN IRAQ; OTEPKA TELLS SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE SONNENFELDT LEAKED INFORMATION TO PRESS, SONNENFELDT DENIED CHARGE, CHAIRMAN LONG SAID HE FOUND NOTHING SUPPORTIVE OF THE ALLEGATION IN FBI RECORDS; NEW DELHI REPORTS BREZHNEV TO VISIT INDIA NEXT MONTH. PAPERS REPORT IN UN PEKING CHARGED MOSCOW AIMS AT DISINTEGRATION OF WESTERN EUROPE; ALSO SUMMARIZE REPORT OF NATO STUDY GROUP; PLUS PENTAGON TO BUY EUROPEAN ALL-WEATHER ANTI-AIRCRAFT MISSILES TO VALUE OF ONE BILLION-- BRITISH FRENCH GERMAN, DEPENDING ON LOW BID. RETIRED MARINE GENERAL CHAPMAN WILL BE NOMINATED COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION.

1B. WASHPOST HAS ITEM FROM ALEXANDRIA REPORTING LIBYAN PREMIER SAID LIBYA PLANS TO SELL OIL DIRECTLY TO EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS, MENTIONING FRANCE GERMANY AUSTRIA, WITHOUT GOING THROUGH INTERNATIONAL OIL COMPANIES. STORY SAYS THIS WOULD COUNTER AMERICAN EFFORTS TO GET PETROLEUM CONSUMING COUNTRIES TO COORDINATE THEIR POLICIES. NYTIMES PARIS FARNSWORTH REPORTS MAJOR OIL CONSUMING NATIONS ARE PRESSING NEGOTIATIONS FOR AN AGREEMENT UNDER WHICH THEY WOULD POOL THEIR PETROLEUM SUPPLIES TO DEAL WITH ANY EMERGENCIES; HIGH EEC SOURCES SAID AN ACCORD MIGHT BE SIGNED BY END OF NOVEMBER, AMERICAN OFFICIALS SAID THEY WERE HOPEFUL COMPROMISES WOULD BE FOUND AND THAT TALKS ARE GOING WELL.

2. MOSCOW STORIES. NYTIMES HEDRICK SMITH REPORTS NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS, US CHAMBER OF UNCLASSIFIED

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COMMERCE AND 23 MAJOR US COMPANIES JOINED WITH TOP SOVIET TRADING ORGANIZATIONS TO FORM NEW SOVIET-AMERICAN TRADE COUNCIL TO HELP MOUNT EXPORT DRIVES. RUSSIANS AND AMERICANS WILL WORK SIDE BY SIDE IN NEW VENTURE TO BE FINANCED BY BOTH SIDES. SHULTZ HAD VERY FRIENDLY BUT PROBING TWO-HOUR TALK WITH KOSYGIN ON TRADE MATTERS, AND PEPSICO CHAIRMAN KENDALL TALKED WITH BREZHNEV WHILE CABINET LEVEL OFFICIALS HELD SEPARATE TALKS. SMITH SAYS THERE WERE INDIRECT SIGNS OF SOVIET DISAPPOINTMENT THAT ON FIRST TEST VOTE CONGRESS HAD BEGUN TO MOVE TOWARD LEGISLATING CONDITIONS ON EQUAL TARIFF TREATMENT AS LONG AS SOVIET RESTRICTIONS ON EMIGRATION ARE MAINTAINED. SOVIET DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE ALKHIMOV SAID IT

WAS INTERNAL AFFAIR FOR US TO DECIDE WHETHER TO GIVE MOSCOW MFN TERMS, BUT IF IT DID NOT IT WOULD BE "OUT OF STEP" WITH OTHER 35 NATIONS WHO HAD GRANTED MOSCOW MFN TREATMENT. HE ALSO POINTEDLY RECALLED THE SIGNED US COMMITMENT TO OBTAIN SUCH STATUS FOR THE SOVIETS. SHULTZ

COMMENTED THAT KOSYGIN HAD GONE OVER WITH HIM "THE PRINCIPAL ECONOMIC QUESTIONS IN A PROBING BUT VERY FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE," SUGGESTING ADMINISTRATION'S PROBLEMS WITH CONGRESS ON TRADE LEGISLATION HAD BEEN EXPLORED. SOVIET PRESS REPORTING OF SHULTZ BREZHNEV MEETING WAS SLIGHTLY COOLER THAN ITS REPORT WHEN THEY MET LAST SPRING INDICATING, SAYS SMITH, PROBABLE SIGN OF SOVIET DIS-APPOINTMENT ON MFN ISSUE. SHULTZ IS REPORTED TO HAVE CONVEYED TO BREZHNEV NIXON'S PERSONAL ASSURANCES THAT MOMENTUM OF US-SOVIET TRADE COULD BE MAINTAINED BY ADMINISTRATION AND PRIVATE INDUSTRY EVEN IF CONGRESS COULD NOT BE PERSUADED TO GRANT MFN STATUS. WASHPOST KAISER ADDS KENDALL IN NEWS CONFERENCE TOLD REPORTERS MFN STATUS WAS CRUCIAL TO LONG TERM DEVELOPMENT OF US-SOVIET TRADE BUT NOT NECESSARY IN SHORT TERM. THEME OF KENDALL'S REMARKS AND PRESUMABLY OF SHULTZ'S TOO IN HIS PRIVATE TALKS WAS THAT CONGRESS WILL EVENTUALLY HAVE TO RECOGNIZE COMPELLING ECONOMIC REASONS FOR GRANTING MFN STATUS AND THAT MEANWHILE TWO COUNTRIES CAN GO ON DEVELOPING TRADE WITHOUT IT.

3. NATO. NYTIMES UPI WASHINGTON REPORTS AMERICAN-UNCLASSIFIED

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EUROPEAN STUDY PANEL KNOWN AS COMMITTEE OF NINE HEADED BY SENATOR JAVITS DECLARED IT WAS NECESSARY TO KEEP US GROUND TROOPS IN EUROPE TO GUARANTEE SECURITY OF WESTERN ALLIES. IN REPORT ISSUED AFTER TWO YEAR STUDY OF NATO, PANEL SAID "DEPENDENCE ON STRATEGIC NUCLEAR FORCES ALONE IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO DETER LOCAL HOSTILITIES." JAVITS AT NEWS CONFERENCE SAID MAINTENANCE OF STRONG ALLIANCE IS AS IMPORTANT NOW AS EVER, NOT SO MUCH BECAUSE OF THREAT OF ARMED AGGRESSION AS BECAUSE OF POLITICAL PRESSURE WHICH SOVIET UNION IS IN POSITION TO EXERT ON EUROPE. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED ALLIANCE MEMBERS BEGIN PLAN NOW FOR SYSTEMATIC COALESCENCE OF WESTERN EUROPE'S CAPABILITIES INCLUDING NUCLEAR ARMS SO THAT WESTERN EUROPE CAN SERVE AS EQUAL PARTNER ALLIED WITH US AND CANADA BY NATO. REPORT SAID THIS IMPLIED INCREASE IN WEST EUROPEAN SELF-RELIANCE AND GRADUAL REDUCTION US TROOPS IN EUROPE BUT NOT UNTIL NINETEEN-EIGHTIES.

3A. WASHPOST MARDER STRESSES COMMITTEE OF NINE RECOMMENDED CREATION UNIFIED WEST EUROPEAN NUCLEAR ARMS FORCE TO HELP SPREAD BURDEN OF DEFENSE INSIDE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE.

STUDY PROPOSED NUCLEAR FORCE WHICH WOULD POOL EXISTING

FRENCH BRITISH NUCLEAR WEAPONS SYSTEMS AND WAS COUPLED
WITH EMPHASIS ON MAINTAINING US NUCLEAR POWER FOR OVERALL
PROTECTION OF NATO PLUS SUFFICIENT NORTH AMERICAN
CONVENTIONAL FORCES IN WESTERN EUROPE TO SUPPLY CREDIBLE
DETERRENCE. KISSINGER IN A STATEMENT WELCOMED GENERAL
THEME OF REPORT WITHOUT EXPLICITLY ENDORSING SPECIFIC
PROPOSALS. THROUGH STATE SPOKESMAN, KISSINGER USED
OCCASION TO REVIVE ADMINISTRATION'S EMPHASIS ON LINKAGE
OF DEFENSE, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES IN ATLANTIC

ALLIANCE STRATEGY AND COST-SHARING. KISSINGER

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